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Dr. Joshua Lederberg Medical Center Stanford University Stanford, California 94305

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In view of your particular concern over the problems of drug abuse, I thought you would be interested in my recent amendment to the Selective Service Act dealing with drug abuse in the military. The amendment was passed unanimously by the Senate on June 23, 1971 and I am hopeful that the House of Representatives will agree to it in conference.

This amendment would require a comprehensive training program for military and civilian personnel to combat drug abuse in the military and provide for extensive cooperation with experts on this problem in the civilian sector. It also requires assistance to local communities whose drug problems have increased due to the presence of a military installation or military personnel in or near such communities.

I will of course be continuing my efforts against drug abuse in the Senate and I welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have. In the event that the House of Representatives does not agree to the inclusion of the drug program in the Selective Service Act, I plan to reintroduce my amendment as a separate bill. Thus if you have any comments regarding improvement of the language of this legislation, they will be most welcome.

I am enclosing a copy of the amendment and my remarks explaining it on the Senate floor.

Sincerely

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feasible, in order that military training pro-